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Timely Tidbits ...

School Board Petition Deadline Approaches

Romulus residents who wish their name to appear on the ballot in the June 8, 1998 school election have until 4 p.m. on Monday, April 6, to turn in their petitions for candidacy. To date, only Debbie Dick and Sheri Hicks have filed with Romulus City Clerk Linda Choate in order to run for the two available Board of Education seats, currently held by Julie Oleszkowicz and Judith Gondek. For more information on drawing and filing petitions, contact Choate at City Hall or call her at 942-7540.

GED/Nurse Aide Programs Available

The Romulus and Van Buren Adult and Community Education Department has announced that registrations are now being accepted for its GED preparation and Nurse Aide classes, which begin next month.

The GED preparation class — the last which will be offered until fall — is a 10-week course which meets two nights a week at either Romulus or Belleville High School, or two days a week at the Adult Education Center, located at 39000 Superior in Romulus. This class is free to adults who were at least 20 years of age on September 1, 1997, and who have not yet received a high-school diploma. Tuition is \$299 for all others. Classes start the week of April 20.

The seven-week Nurse Aide training program, which prepares students to take the State exam and become a Competency Evaluated Nursing Assistant (CENA), will meet from 6 to 10 p.m. four nights a week (Monday through Thursday) at Romulus High School. Tuition (for those who are under 20 years of age or who already have their high-school diploma) is \$399. The course is free to nongraduates. Class size is limited, so immediate registration is recommended.

For further registration information, please call 941-0610. □

House Passes Car Tax Refund

State Representative for the 22nd District, Raymond Basham (D-Taylor), voted YES as the House passed legislation that would refund \$1.2 billion to Michigan auto-insurance policyholders.

Basham was pleased that the legislation would put an average of \$180 per car directly into the pockets of automobile owners.

"Car owners need insurance relief, and this is the simplest, fairest, most straightforward plan to make up for being overcharged," he said.

The House Democrats' Car Tax Refund legislation came about as a result of a \$2.5-billion surplus in the

Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) fund. The fund is financed by mandatory fees — car taxes — paid by all auto owners on their insurance bills. The surplus has continued to grow despite insurance-industry efforts to reduce — but not eliminate — the mandatory MCCA assessment.

"A direct cash refund is the only way to actually put money back in car owners' wallets," said Basham. "House Democrats proposed this plan in January as part of our agenda because we are committed to giving Michigan drivers real insurance relief, and that's what we did today." □



Representative Ray Basham

Students Explore Local Library's Resources



Suzanne Snyder and her students prepare for their trip to the Romulus Public Library.

Suzanne Snyder, resource teacher at Barth Elementary School, knows the combination that her students like most.

"When the students discussed where they would like to go for a field trip, the Romulus Public Library and McDonald's won out," she explained.

So, to celebrate Black History Month (February) and Reading Month (March),

Snyder and her students were taken on a special tour of the Library, followed by lunch at McDonald's.

Librarian Shelly Delano greeted the students with enthusiasm. She treated them to an exciting and educational program that featured hands-on demonstrations, educational videos, and a special reading in order to make their

visit a truly memorable one.

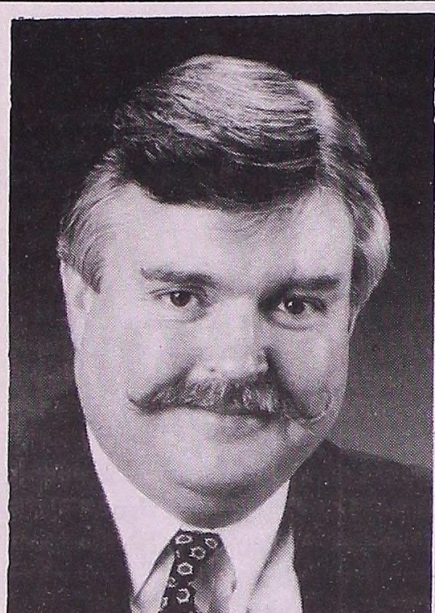
"She really treated us wonderfully," said Snyder.

Before leaving, students checked out books and magazines with special emphasis on research and study skills.

Both Snyder and her students agreed that they are looking forward to their return to the Library.

Guest Commentary

Plan 150 Noise Mitigation Meeting Provides Interesting New Developments



Commissioner Bruce Patterson

By Wayne County Commissioner Bruce Patterson (11th District)

The regularly scheduled meeting of the local Metro Airport Noise Summit took place at the Krzyske Community Center in Waltz, Michigan, recently. The usual invitees were asked to attend the meeting: Congresswoman Lynn Rivers, Senator Loren Bennett, State Representative George Mans, members of the Romulus City Council and Administration, and members of the Huron Township Board of Trustees and Administrators, as well as myself.

In addition to these elected officials, Colleen Pobur, the new Noise Czarina from Metro Airport, was invited, as she has been in the past. Ms. Pobur was expected to come to answer questions and provide an update on the sound insulation program.

Unlike previous meetings of the Summit, this meeting had a much smaller collection of electeds actually in attendance. While there were staff persons from both Congresswoman Rivers' office and my office (I was sidelined with the flu, and unable to attend in person), no one came on behalf of Representative Mans, and no explanation was forthcoming.

However, the meeting proceeded in a very informative and well-organized fashion. This was apparently due to the fact that Senator Bennett did attend; and so, too, did Mr. Isiah Odom, Mrs. Colleen Modzewlewski, and Mr. David Glaab, all members of my citizen-based Noise Abatement Task Force steering committee. In fact, I tapped Mr. Glaab, an experienced attorney, to fill in for me at the meeting.

In his role as "Commissioner surrogate," Mr. Glaab was able to elicit some

interesting responses from Ms. Pobur and the new Director of Wayne County Airports, Mr. David Katz, who also was in attendance.

Especially interesting was the confirmation by Ms. Pobur, in response to Mr. Glaab's questioning, that the Noise Mitigation/Sound Insulation program was "in shambles" when she (Pobur) first took over from Sean Brosnan in mid 1997, and that she had had to work very hard just to get the program operational after so many months. (Remember, I have been consistently complaining about the program's failings.)

Further, Mr. Glaab's inquiries determined that neither Ms. Pobur nor Mr. Katz was even aware of my Budget Instruction proposal AAA. Recall that Instruction AAA was "torpedoed" last fall by Commissioner Ed Boike (D-Taylor), who apparently has been clandestinely and surreptitiously trying to get more attention paid to the City of Taylor, where he lives, and not as much to Huron Township and Romulus. Instruction AAA would require a greatly accelerated expenditure rate of Noise Mitigation dollars by the County to address citizen complaints about aircraft noise.

Due to their lack of present knowledge of this important initiative, Mr. Glaab, in return for letting them off the hook for the moment, secured their promise to consider the idea carefully and report back at the next meeting as to whether they would endorse the concept in order to help the people.

Later, following Ms. Pobur's presentation to the audience, Mr. Katz was asked by Mr. Glaab about whether or not the McNamara Administration was willing to support Senator Bennett's bill no. 832, which would free up approximately \$12 million a year for locally controlled, not County controlled, mitigation relief. Katz emphatically declared: "NO! The McNamara Administration is opposed to Bennett's bill and to permitting the people to have direct access to and local control over funds for relief." No one in attendance seemed surprised, but everyone was disappointed.

While Ms. Pobur asserted, during the question-and-answer period of the Summit, that nighttime curfews can no longer be legally imposed, Mr. Glaab and Mr. Odom suggested that, certainly, "head-to-head" operations could be eliminated, thus sparing the residents both departures and arrivals during sleeping hours. Ms. Pobur and Director Katz seemed unmoved.

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claims as to how happy several people were with their newly insulated homes, Ms. Pobur was confronted by Ms. Cindy Conley from New Boston. During the confrontation, it was established that the Conleys' home was currently the subject of ongoing sound insulation procedures and that it was obviously going to be necessary to get her commissioner (me) involved if the job was ever going to be done right. Ms. Pobur promised to try harder, rather than bother me.

Perhaps, just maybe, after nearly four years of persistent badgering and constant pressuring, I and my Noise Mitigation steering committee members are starting to make a difference in how the McNamara Administration deals with local citizens. After all, some homes

have actually been sound insulated, and it seemed to those present at the Noise Summit meeting that Senator Bennett and Mr. Glaab were pinning down the representatives of the McNamara Administration.

It's a start. At last. Thank goodness. Keep your fingers crossed.

Editor's note: The purpose of the "Guest Commentary" column is to provide members of the Romulus community and other interested parties with an opportunity to express their viewpoint on issues of interest to the people who live and do business here. Responsible individuals or spokespersons are invited to use this column, at no charge, at any time.

For more information, please contact Kristi Stephens, editor, at either 941-1907 or 941-3113. □

RHS' Mulenga Is Among Basham's Capitol Scholars for March



State Representative Ray Basham (second from right) invited (from left) Rob Walsuk (Taylor Kennedy High School), Musoki Mulenga (Romulus High School), and Erin Coggins (Taylor Truman High School) to spend a day with him in Lansing this month, getting a first-hand lesson in State government through the Capitol Scholars Program.



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Merriman Students Jumped for Heart



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Local Thrift Shop Receives Helping Hands from Students



(From left) Kimberly Daniels, Florence Klein, Katie Lockhart, Gerard Gratiot, and Dominic Evitts.

Four community-minded juniors from Romulus High School (RHS) extended a helping hand to the Helping Hand Thrift Shop in Romulus.

Volunteering their time, talent, and energy were Kimberly Daniels, Katie Lockhart, Gerard Gratiot, and Dominic Evitts, who spent a full day helping to clean the famous shop that caters to the needy.

"It was a very enjoyable community-service project," said Daniels. "The director, Mrs. Klein, accepted us as if she had known us for years."

Lockhart agreed. "It was especially interesting to see the relationship that the people at Helping Hand have with their customers. They are so eager and willing to help others."

Juniors Gerard Gratiot and Dominic Evitts also enjoyed their "Helping Hand"

experience. Both agreed that helping others was a lot of fun.

This activity is part of the five major community-service projects being conducted by RHS students under the direction of Service Learning Director Kathy Hurst, who works with a number of the High School's teachers to coordinate each project.

"Students Learning While Helping Others" is this year's motto for the High School's community-service program," Hurst explained. "Students truly want to help others, and projects like this offer an effective and consequential learning experience that's different from what students learn in the classroom."

"My gratitude goes out to the students and teachers who work in a collaborative way to plan these community-centered projects," she concluded.

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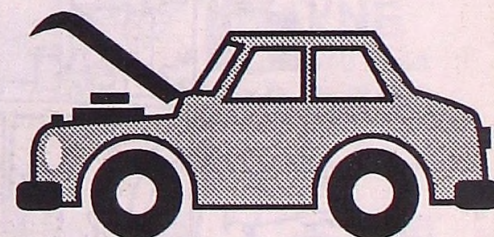
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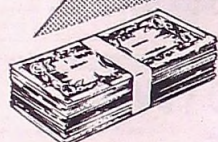


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Merriman School Pays Tribute to African-Americans



Merriman celebrated Black History Month with a special tribute to African Americans.

On Friday, February 27, Merriman Elementary School performed a tribute to African Americans as part of its celebration of Black History Month.

The stage was decorated with bigger-than-life murals of famous African Americans in the music field, drawn by Miss Dawn Sims' fourth-grade class. Members of the class shared creative facts about these individuals.

A poetry reading was given by Rebecca Thornton. The poem, entitled "Slaves," was written by two sixth-graders, Willie Jones and Anthon Glaze.

Special entertainment was provided by a jazz quartet, Straight Ahead. Each member of the group is an accomplished musician in his own right; together, they bring a unique musical personality to the group.

The program was a huge success, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Slaves

By Willie Jones and Anthon Glaze

Slaves did not have any rights.
Slaves worked day and night.
Slaves could not learn to read or write.
Slaves would get hit with a whip,
at the speed of light,
if they talked like the white.
Slaves had to talk with their head down.
I just had to tell you right now.
Slaves had to sleep on the cold hay,
that's what made them run away.
Sometimes they would run away
because they barely were fed anyway.
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- **Choir/Dance/Drama Students Seek Support** – Romulus High School is currently conducting a special fund raiser for the choir, dance, and drama programs at the High School and the Middle School to defray the cost of upgrading performance facilities and supporting student activities. Local residents will be contacted throughout the next three weeks and asked to purchase items such as delicious frozen pizza, French-bread pizza, gourmet nuts, Amish-style fudge, durable trash bags, first-aid kits, and lifesaving fire extinguishers. All products will be delivered to your doorstep at no charge. Call Judith Thompson-Barthwell (941-2170, ext. 503).
- **Friday Fish Dinners at St. Aloysius** – St. Aloysius Catholic School will continue serving Friday Fish Dinners during Lent to raise money for the school. Dinners (which include fish, potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, and dessert) will be served from 4:30 to 7 p.m. (or until sold out) on March 20, March 27, and April 3 for a cost of \$6.50 for adults, \$5.50 for senior citizens, and \$3 for children under 10. To get to the school, take I-94 to the Wayne Road exit; go south on Wayne to Goddard; turn right on Goddard and follow it through town to Neville. The school is located at the end of Neville, behind St. Aloysius Catholic Church. For more information, call 941-3340.
- **Coffee Hour with Basham** – State Representative Ray Basham (D-Taylor) will be available to discuss legislative issues with the public at an informal coffee hour sponsored by the Romulus Public Library (located at 11121 South Wayne Road, next to City Hall) on Thursday, March 26, at 6 p.m. The Representative welcomes discussion on any State issue of concern to Romulus and Taylor residents. For more information, call the Library (734-942-7589) or Basham (517-373-0852).
- **YMCA Rummage Sale** – The YMCA of Western Wayne County is planning a giant rummage sale to be held at the YWCA, located at 26279 Michigan Avenue between Beech Daly and John Daly, on Saturday, March 28, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Items being accepted for donation (for subsequent sale) – such as household items, jewelry, clothing, appliances, toys, and other odds and ends – can be dropped off at the "Y" any weekday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- **Donations Sought** – Romulus Head Start – a Federally funded preschool program for three- and four-year-olds who are from low-income families, foster children, or children with disabilities – will be hosting a Family Fun Day on Saturday, April 4, from 12 to 3 p.m., to raise money to buy a display sign for its school (located at 35408 Beverly Road) and T-shirts for all the children. Featured will be craft tables, food, face painting, games, prize drawings, and more. To make the Family Fun Day a success, Head Start is asking individuals, businesses, and community groups to make donations of cash; items or gift certificates to be used as prizes; and/or food items such as hot dogs/buns, condiments (catsup, mustard, relish, etc.), potato and nacho chips, nacho cheese, baked goods, and beverages. For information, call Dawn Mosher or Charisma Harris (728-7815).
- **Herb Conference** – The In-Balance Center's 11th annual Herb Conference will be held at the Romulus Marriott (30559 Flynn Drive) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 2. Guest speaker will be Dr. Jack Ritchason, who will discuss herbs and their uses in natural health. The \$35 ticket cost (nonrefundable) covers admission to the conference and a vegetarian lunch. Those who plan to attend must RSVP by April 17. For more information, call 734-941-8778.

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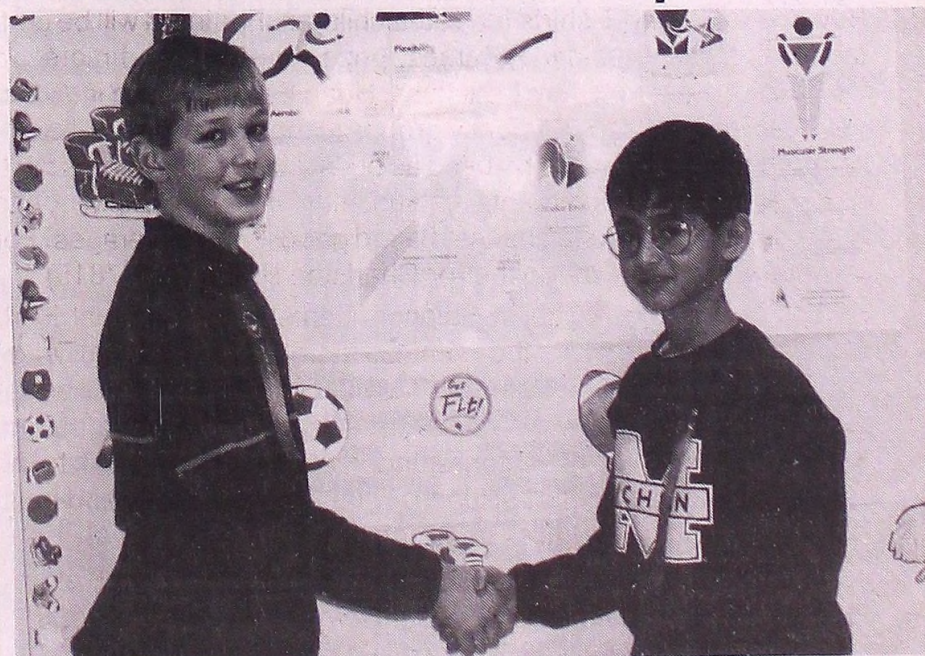
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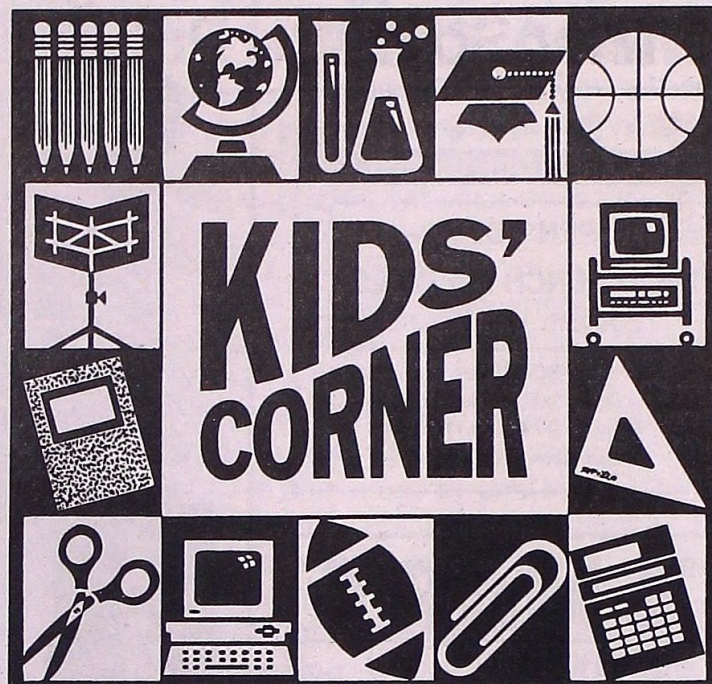
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Halecreek's Best Spellers



The winner of Halecreek Elementary School's spelling bee, Muneer Khan (right), is congratulated by runnerup Jerad Kiser. The winning words were "bookkeeper" and "librarian."

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Twenty "ishes"

Using the clues provided, complete the "ishes" below.

1. You can eat them or keep them as pets. ___ ISH
2. The line that racers run through. ___ ISH
3. To compel to leave. ___ ISH
4. Food is served on this. ___ ISH
5. You can do this with mouthwash. ___ ISH
6. These eyes are smiling. ___ ISH
7. The result of a lack of nutrients. ___ ISH
8. Blow out the candles and make a ___ ISH.
9. To disappear. ___ ISH
10. A way to discipline. ___ ISH
11. He led the pilgrims. ___ ISH
12. Thinking only of yourself. ___ ISH
13. Lobsters and crabs are some. ___ ISH
14. This behavior could lead to trouble. ___ ISH
15. The language of Denmark. ___ ISH
16. A dough filled with potatoes or meat. ___ ISH
17. A part of the protestant religion. ___ ISH
18. Acting in an immature manner. ___ ISH
19. These meatballs are very small. ___ ISH
20. This behavior is surprising. ___ ISH

1. Fish 2. Finish 3. Banish 4. Dish 5. Swish 6. Irish
7. Famish 8. Wish 9. Vanish 10. Punish 11. Standish
12. Selfish 13. Shellfish 14. Foolish 15. Danish 16. Knish
17. Amish 18. Childish 19. Swedish 20. Outlandish

Answers

The Name Game

Make 10 new words by matching one from the left column with one from the right.

CAP
WARD
BAR
NOT
IN
FOR
LIST
HER
WIN
PASS

RING
WORD
LESS
SOME
ROBE
ABLE
ICE
COME
WARD
RED

1. Capable 2. Wardrobe 3. Bared
4. Notice 5. Income 6. Forward 7. Listless
8. Herring 9. Winsome 10. Password

Answers

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- Physical fitness:** Physically fit people have a reserve of power and strength when they really need it. Make the effort to stay in shape. Exercise on a regular basis, eat balanced meals and avoid fats.
- Physical examinations:** Everyone — both young and old — should get examined by a doctor at least once a year to be sure their health is good.
- Prescription drugs:** Never take drugs that are prescribed for someone else. Only take what's prescribed for you and follow the dosage directions.
- Pain:** Even if it's minor, always make someone aware of any physical pain you may suffer.
- Panic:** If you're ever in a panic situation, you can regain control by following three simple steps: 1. Stop what you're doing. 2. Think about what you're going to do next. 3. Act out step No. 2.

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REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 23, 1998

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, February 23, 1998, at Halecreek School was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Julie A. Oleszkowicz.

Roll call showed Member Kesner absent (excused). All Administrators were present. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Oleszkowicz.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

2/98/10 Moved by Gondek supported by Woods to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

2/98/11 Moved by Gondek supported by Berlenn to approve the Minutes of February 9, 1998, as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

2/98/12 Moved by Webb supported by Gondek to approve the retirement resolution in recognition of years of service to the Romulus Community Schools for Joann Hunter. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

2/98/13 Moved by Berlenn supported by Webb to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Demonstration of Channel 41

Bill Bradford, Linda Cook, and several High School students were present and updated the Board of Education on our Channel 41 Project and responded to questions posed by Members of the Board.

Math and Block Schedule Report

Dan Hurst and Doug Hoffman presented a report to the Board of Education on our math progress and on our proposal to go to "block" scheduling next year.

Halecreek Playground

This item was withdrawn.

Spring Performance Budget

2/98/14 Moved by Lenossi supported by Gondek to approve the Spring Performance Budget for 1997-98 in the amount of approximately \$16,000 as recommended by Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience discussed their concerns as they pertain to the operation of the School District with Members of the Board of Education.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with Members of the Board: 1) "Thanks" from Oakwood Hospital; 2) Learn and Serve Grants; 3) Humanitarianism Symposium; 4) Sixth-grade Immunizations Clinics; and 5) Congratulations - Kathy Hurst.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Lenossi voiced her concern regarding discipline at the High School.

Mr. Woods asked that athletes at the High School be given assistance in obtaining scholarships and financial aid for college.

Executive Session - Negotiations

Canceled.

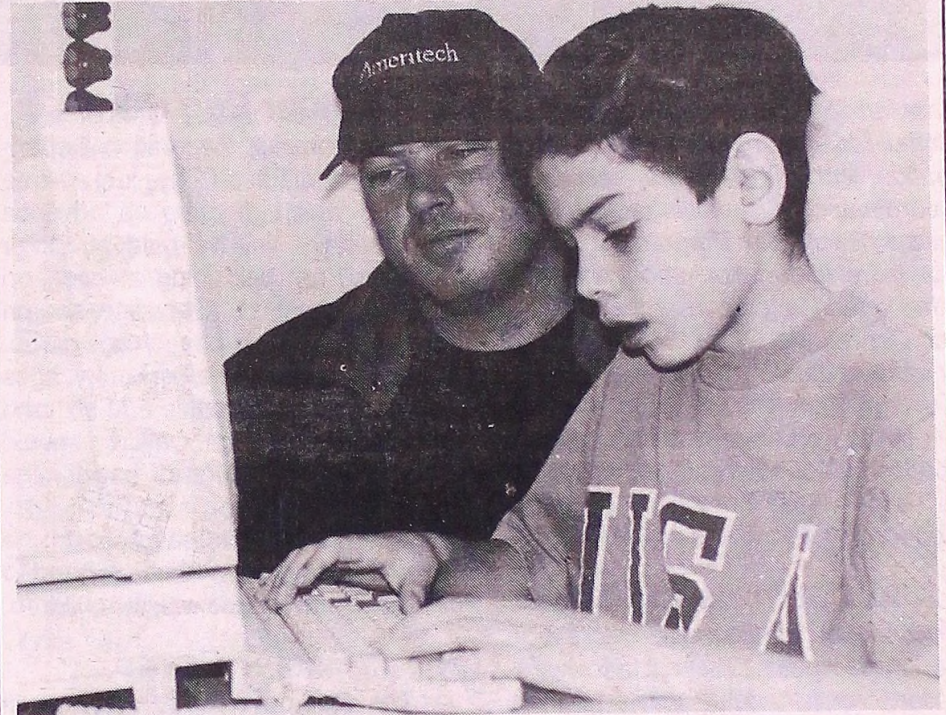
ADJOURNMENT:

2/98/15 Moved by Woods supported by Gondek that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty M. Lenossi, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Two Merriman Fifth-graders May Soon Be Published



Merriman fifth-grade student, Eric Rister, shows his father, Bill Rister, how he wrote his famous poem, "Twister."

Kenneth Capler, a fifth-grade student at Merriman Elementary School, loves to write - especially poetry.

"Once I decide what I will write about, the words come easy," Capler said.

His poem, "The Giant Monster," was one of two poems that Merriman teacher Pete Irwin submitted to *The Reader's Digest* for publication.

"Eric Rister's poem, 'Twister,' and Capler's poem both showed imagination, rhythm, and creativity, so I thought we would give *Reader's Digest* a shot," Irwin stated.

Capler's dad is, of course, very proud of his son's accomplishments. Because his favorite subjects were not writing or literature, the elder Capler was surprised at his son's writing ability.

"He must have received that talent from his mother," he stated.

Twister

By Eric Rister

Twister, Twister
Hello Mister
How are you doing today?

May I have your autograph
Or maybe just your photograph

Twister, Twister
Hello Mister
How are you doing today?

Oh would you please
Stop blowing away trees
You are making a terrible mess

Twister, Twister
Hello Mister
How are you doing today?

Stop chasing me
You are bugging me
Would you please just let me be?

Twister, Twister
Hello Mister
How are you doing today?

Is tonight the night
You fill us full of fright?
Is tonight the night
You let us sleep tight?

The Giant Monster

By Kenneth Capler

I saw a giant monster that was
forty feet long,
It was black and had so many arms
I couldn't count them all.
I went down below to see what
it was.

I wasn't afraid, so I just didn't fuss.
"I'm not afraid of you, whatever
you are."
But when he came out, he gave me
a scare
When I saw his back, he had a real
sharp fin,
Now I am not going back there
again!!

Editor's note: The above story - which first appeared in our March 6, 1998 issue - is reprinted here due to the misidentification of the student in the photo. We apologize for the mistake, as well as for any confusion it caused.

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Recreation Programs

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation Programs" column. For more information about these or other offerings, stop in at the Recreation Department Office, 36515 Bibbins, or call 942-6852.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Department during its regular hours.

Adult Summer Softball

Although the Romulus Recreation Department plans to accept team registrations for its adult summer softball league as late as Thursday, April 9, early sign-up is strongly recommended.

Mon./Wed. Men's White Division*

- 8 teams / 21 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- cost: \$575

Mon./Wed. Women's White Division*

- 8 teams / 14 games / 1 umpire
- times: 6:30, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
- cost: \$375

Fri. Men's Red Division (Field A)*

- 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:15, 7:30, 8:45, 10:00
- cost: \$475

Fri. Men's Blue Division (Field B)*

- 8 teams / 14 games / 2 umpires
- times: 6:15, 7:25, 8:35, 9:45
- cost: \$475

Sun. Men's White Division*

- doubleheader format
- 10 teams / 18 games / 2 umpires
- times: 12:00, 1:10, 2:20, 3:30, 4:40, 5:50
- cost: \$500

*League Classification breakdown: Red = B & C; White = C & D; Blue = D & below.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Romulus Recreation Department's annual Easter Egg Hunt – a free program which requires no advance registration – will be held at Elmer Johnson Park beginning at noon on Saturday, April 11. Separate search areas will be set up for each age group: age two and under (walkers only), ages three and four, ages five and six, and ages seven and eight. Children should bring their own basket or bag for the eggs they collect.

Note: Be sure to say hello to the "special guest" who will be on hand to have his picture made with the children.

Easter Crafts

The Recreation Department will offer a special Easter arts & crafts program for all ages (children under the age of eight must be accompanied by an adult) on Saturday, April 4, from 1 to 4 p.m. A cost of \$3.50 (cash only, please) allows participants to make one egg and a pom-pom animal. Registration must be made at the Recreation office no later than Wednesday, April 1. Class size is limited to 25, so early registration is recommended.

"Spring Break" Trips

The Romulus Recreation Department will offer the following trips for youngsters during "spring break."

Roller Skating

A trip to Westland's Skateland, open to children of all ages (although children under seven must be accompanied by an adult), is set for Tuesday, April 14. A bus will depart from the Recreation building at 12:15 p.m. and return at approximately 3:30 p.m. A cost of \$6 includes transportation, skate rental (in-line skates extra), and admission. Register no later than Monday, April 13.

Pool Tournament

The Recreation Department will host a pool tournament on Wednesday and Thursday, April 15 and 16. Competition will be broken down into the following age divisions: grades four through six, grades seven and eight, and grades nine through 12. Trophies will be awarded to first-place finishers. Cost is \$1 per person. Register at the Recreation office by Monday, April 13.

Swimming

Children of all ages (youngsters seven and under must be accompanied by an adult) are invited to participate in an afternoon of swimming at the Wayne Community Center on Friday, April 17. A bus will depart from the Recreation building at 12:30 p.m. and return at approximately 3:15 p.m. Cost is \$4. Deadline for registration is Thursday, April 16.

Charlotte's Web

The Romulus Recreation Department will be traveling to Northville on Saturday, April 18, to see a production of *Charlotte's Web*. A bus will depart from the Recreation building at 1:30 p.m. and return at about 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$6 per person. Advance registration is required.

Spring Soccer

The Romulus Recreation Department's spring soccer program will begin right after spring break. Those who participated last fall may reregister at the Recreation office at no additional cost; all others must pay \$10. Play will begin at the elementary schools on April 18, and continue each Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (If there are not enough children from grades three through six, teams will be formed by combining schools.)

For more information, contact the Recreation Department: 942-6852.

Girls' Basketball Clinic

The Detroit Shock of the WNBA is offering a clinic at Roosevelt High School in Wyandotte on Saturday, April 4, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. To find out more, call the Romulus Recreation Department: 942-6852.

Spring Classes

Registrations are still being accepted for the following spring-session classes.

Karate

The new 10-week session of Karate classes, which will begin March 31 and run through June 11 (no classes during spring break), offers beginner (ages five to 10) and advanced (beginners age 11 and over or anyone who already has earned a belt) classes on a twice-weekly basis. Classes meet at Romulus Middle School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. (beginners) and 7 to 9 p.m. (advanced). Cost is \$20 for beginners; \$30 for advanced students. Family plans are available. Advanced registration is required.

Tai-Chi

A beginning Tai-Chi class will be offered at the Romulus Recreation building from 8 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday evenings beginning March 31. Cost for the 10-week session is \$25. Deadline for registration (at the Recreation office) is March 30.

Aerobics

The spring Aerobics session has already begun, late registrations are still being accepted. Classes are available at Wick Elementary on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. and at Romulus Middle School on Saturdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Cost is \$43 for one day per week; \$57 for two; and \$72 for all three. Register at the Recreation office. □



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Club #1 Elects New Officers



(From left) Gertrude Block and Theresa Chadwick are the new president and vice-president, respectively, of Club #1, a local senior-citizens group which meets at the Romulus Senior Center every Tuesday at 11 a.m. The club – which organizes and participates in a variety of activities, including luncheons, parties, bingo and other games, raffles, trips, and more – is always open to new membership. For more information about the club or other senior-citizen activities, call Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, at 942-6852.

Representative Basham Working To Revoke Senior Fishing-license Fees

Earlier this week, State Representative Raymond Basham (D-Taylor) announced his plans to introduce legislation to revoke the fishing-license fee-hike imposed on senior citizens two years ago.

"The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) does not need the extra revenue, so the fees should be eliminated," said Basham. "It was an unfair increase on senior citizens to begin with, but, with a nearly \$11-million surplus in the DNR fund, it is irresponsible to force seniors to pay more."

Senior all-species fishing-license fees were raised from \$1 to \$10.40 in 1996. At that time, said Basham, the DNR claimed that it needed the funds to avoid a \$2-million deficit in the Game and Fish Protection Fund. Such a deficit would have forced the elimination of numerous conservation and other programs. Basham was not a member of the House of Representatives when the fee increase was passed, but, as a member of the Taylor City Council, he voted for resolutions protesting the fee hike.

Now, according to Basham, DNR officials have said that there will be a \$10.8-million balance in the Fund at

the end of 1998. At a recent meeting of the House Conservation and Environment Committee, the officials said that the money was saved by sound fiscal management and administrative enhancements.

"The DNR's poor accounting system caused them to overlook millions of dollars," said the Representative. "The Governor wants to use this 'found' money to create additional hunting, fishing, and conservation programs, but that was not the original intent behind raising the fees. If we force seniors to pay more money, it must be used for its original intent. If not, there should not be a fee increase."

Basham is considering legislation to repeal the fee increase for seniors, and expects to introduce the bill in the near future.

"I have been against this fee increase from the time it was first discussed," Basham said, "and, when I came to Lansing, I was determined to eliminate it. If the DNR still needed the money, I would have introduced legislation to trade the senior fee increase with one for out-of-state residents. But, with an \$11-million surplus, we shouldn't force anyone to pay more money." □

Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column.

(Note: For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)

Chore Services for Seniors

The Wayne Metropolitan Community Services Agency is now offering a chore service for senior citizens. Since the program is funded, in part, by the Senior Alliance, a donation is requested for services received. For more information, please call 313-843-2550 or 734-942-6852.

Free Health Screenings

The Medical Team will be offering free health screenings at the Romulus Senior Center on Monday, April 6, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Sign-up sheets are available at the Center to insure that local seniors have ample opportunity to participate.

Among the procedures which will be performed are: hearing and vision/glaucoma exams, cholesterol check, blood-sugar test, comprehensive blood/urine analysis, blood-pressure check, TB skin test, and colon-cancer test.

Commodities Available at the Center

The Romulus Senior Center will be distributing commodities to qualified individuals on the third Thursday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Preregistration (Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; bring proof of income) is required. Next date: April 16.

Free Tax Service for Seniors

From now through April 15, AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) volunteers will be available (by appointment only) at the Romulus Senior Center each Wednesday from 12 to 3:30 p.m. to assist low- and moderate-income Romulus seniors with the preparation of their Federal and State 1040, home-heating, prescription, and property-tax forms.

A list of materials which must be brought to the appointment will be provided at the time of registration. For more information, contact the Center.

This Month's Crime Watch Program To Feature K-9 Tour

Officer Joe Richardson of the Romulus Police Department will be taking local seniors on a free tour of the K-9 Academy on Wednesday, March 25, at 10 a.m. Anyone interested in participating should sign up at the Center.

Cory Students Ask Seniors To Serve as Audience for Dress Rehearsal

Students at Cory Elementary School have asked local seniors to come out on Friday, March 27, from 4 to 5 p.m., to sit in on a dress rehearsal of their upcoming Multi-cultural Program. The students will appreciate the chance to practice before a real audience, and the seniors who attend will be well entertained. There is no cost. Sign up at the Center.

Father's Day

This month's \$1 movie at the Senior Center – *Father's Day*, starring Billy Crystal and Robin Williams – will be shown on the Center's big-screen TV at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 27. Refreshments will be served.

Shopping Trips

For a transportation cost of \$1.50, Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van to shop at the Southgate Meijer on March 27. Space is limited; payment of the transportation fee reserves your seat on a first-come, first-served basis. No refunds will be made unless there is a waiting list. Sign up at the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852.

(Note: Deposits insure your seat for any bus trip.)

- **Soaring Eagle Casino** (Thu., May 14; \$20)
- **Kewadin Casino** (Tue.–Wed., Jun. 23–24; \$89)
- **Soaring Eagle Casino** (Wed., Jul. 22; \$20)
- **Niagara Falls/"Phantom of the Opera" (Toronto)** (Sun.–Mon., July 26–27; \$299)
- **"Phantom of the Opera" (Marshall)** (Wed., Aug. 26; \$53)
- **Soaring Eagle Casino** (Wed., Sep. 30; \$20)
- **Appalachian Adventure** (Tue.–Fri., Oct. 6–9; \$403)
- **Soaring Eagle Casino** (Wed., Nov. 4; \$20)
- **Branson, Missouri** (Mon.–Sat., Nov. 16–21; \$645).

Weekly Programs

The Romulus Senior Center has a full schedule of weekly programs for senior citizens' enjoyment. Come in on your own or bring a friend for ceramics (Mondays at 1 and 6 p.m.); Club #1 meetings (Tuesdays at 11 a.m.); euchre (Tuesdays at 1 p.m.); bingo (Wednesdays at 1 p.m.); and pinochle (Thursdays at 1 p.m.). □

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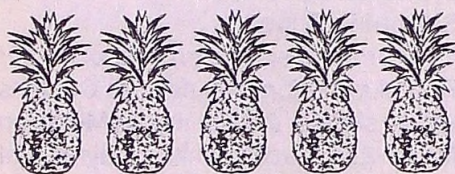
By Florine Mark, president/chairman of the board of the WW Group, Inc.

Since the first of the year, we've had a handful of excuses to get together to do something special. In the beginning, there was the eve of January 1, with its promise of a whole new year and a whole lot of fun. Then February arrived, and we enjoyed the festivities surrounding the Winter Olympic Games, as well as Valentine's Day, which conveniently fell on a Saturday and gave everyone yet another reason to celebrate. When March rolled around, it brought with it the love (or is it the luck?) of the Irish that comes out in all of us on St. Patrick's Day.

But March also brings something that occurs only four times a year: a new season and a refreshing start. When

the first day of spring arrives on March 20, why not bring it in with a bang?

Although it doesn't take a meteorologist to predict that warm weather probably won't be in the forecast, there's always room for wishful thinking and hoping! So, whether it's cloudy or sunny, let the start of the spring season furnish you with a great reason/excuse to get together with friends or family to enjoy an indoor picnic. To help you get started, we've put together recipes that are quick, easy, low in fat, and guaranteed to please all! There's everything from fruit salad to potato salad; from Carolina-style barbecue chicken to veggie burgers. Just add fresh cut vegetables and some low-fat potato chips or pretzels, and you'll be ready for a very tasty and enjoyable picnic!



Island Fruit Salad

makes 4 servings

- 1 medium grapefruit, peeled and sectioned
- 1/4 cup pineapple, cut into chunks (reserve juice)
- 1/2 medium banana, diced
- 3/4 cup fresh or frozen blueberries
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint leaves
- 2 tablespoons toasted shredded coconut

In a large bowl, combine all ingredients; toss to mix well. Cover and refrigerate until well chilled.

1 Point.

Per serving: 81 Calories, 1 g. Protein, 1 g. Fat, 18 g. Carbohydrates, 3 mg. Sodium, 0 mg. Cholesterol, 1 g. Dietary Fiber.

Source: Weight Watchers: *Favorite Homestyle Recipes*

No-Guilt Potato Salad

makes 4 servings

- 1 pound cooked unpared red potatoes, cubed
- 1/4 cup chopped celery
- 1/4 cup chopped scallions (green onions)
- 1/4 cup reduced-calorie ranch dressing (25 calories per tablespoon)
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh dill
- Dash salt
- Dash white pepper

Using rubber scraper, in medium bowl, combine all ingredients, stirring to coat vegetables with dressing.

2 Points.

Per serving: 121 Calories, 2 g. Protein, 0 g. Fat, 24 g. Carbohydrates, 18 mg. Calcium, 190 mg. Sodium, 0 mg. Cholesterol, 2 g. Dietary Fiber.

Source: Weight Watchers: *Favorite Homestyle Recipes*

Carolina-barbecued Chicken

makes 4 servings

- 1 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 cup finely chopped green bell pepper
- 1 cup cider vinegar
- 3 tablespoons firmly packed light or dark brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes, or to taste
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, or to taste

One 2-pound, 4-ounce chicken, skinned and cut into 8 equal pieces

Preheat outdoor barbecue grill according to manufacturer's directions, or preheat broiler and spray rack in broiler pan with nonstick cooking spray.

In small saucepan, combine onions, bell pepper, vinegar, brown sugar, juice, salt, dry mustard, pepper flakes, and black pepper; stirring constantly, bring liquid to a boil. Reduce heat to low; simmer, stirring occasionally, 20 minutes, until flavors are blended.

Grill chicken over hot coals or place onto prepared rack in broiler pan and broil 4" from heat, turning as needed and basting with some of the onion mixture, 20 minutes, until browned and juices run clear when pierced with fork.

Transfer chicken to serving platter; top with remaining onion mixture.

5 Points.

Per serving: 233 Calories, 6 g. Total Fat, 2 g. Saturated Fat, 76 mg. Cholesterol, 353 mg. Sodium, 19 g. Total Carbohydrates, 1 g. Dietary Fiber, 25 g. Protein, 39 mg. Calcium.

Source: Weight Watchers: *New 365 Day Menu Cookbook*

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LEAPFROG

Write the word(s) that fits definition #1 into the correspondingly numbered box. Next, drop one letter and anagram (rearrange) the remaining letters to find the answer to definition #2. Perform the same drop-a-letter/anagram procedure on word #2 to arrive at the answer to definition #3. Place the first dropped letter in the space to the left of answer #1 and the second in the space to the right of answer #3. Repeat this process on each line of the puzzle. If the puzzle is done correctly, the dropped letters, read from top to bottom, will spell out some timely phrases.

	1	2	3	
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	37	38	39	

DEFINITIONS

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|---|---|
| 1. Serf | 21. Pays to use the property of others |
| 2. Latin-American music genre | 22. Foursomes |
| 3. Sorrowful interjection | 23. Rank; standing |
| 4. Place to put the one you adore? | 24. Shrewd |
| 5. Fastened together, as papers | 25. Characteristic of city life |
| 6. Scheduled | 26. Fiber source |
| 7. Certain snakes | 27. Grab; snatch |
| 8. Young actress | 28. Suavity; unctuousness |
| 9. Most recent | 29. She's the Secretary of the Romulus Board of Education |
| 10. Characteristic of Scandinavia | 30. Learning exercise |
| 11. Greek architectural order | 31. Raids |
| 12. Twine | 32. Counsel |
| 13. Forebear | 33. Digression |
| 14. Wind instruments | 34. Carried by the wind |
| 15. One who accompanies another as a guide, protector, or companion | 35. Foreign |
| 16. Engineless aircraft | 36. For want of this, a shoe was lost |
| 17. Mournful song | 37. Glorifies |
| 18. Be conveyed in a vehicle | 38. Lacking freshness or originality; flat |
| 19. Deeply sincere | 39. Tardy |
| 20. Breastbones | |

YOU'LL FIND IT IN "BURGEON"

How many words of four or more letters can you form using only the letters in BURGEON? A letter can be used more than once only if it appears more than once. Proper nouns, obsolete and archaic words, slang and informal words, poetic words, hyphenated words, contractions, and foreign words are not permitted.

For our list of 20 words, plus the LEAPFROG solution, see page 14

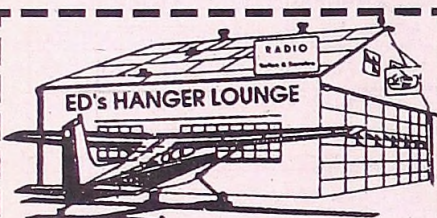
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New Arrivals**Cyndil Diane Banks**

Kenneth Banks and Betty Harper of Taylor, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Cyndil Diane Banks.

Cyndil was born in Oakwood Hospital (Dearborn, MI) at 10:08 p.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 1998, weighing in at seven pounds, three ounces, and measuring 20½ inches in length.

Also welcoming the new arrival into the family were her paternal grandparents, Daniel and Linda Banks (Romulus, MI).

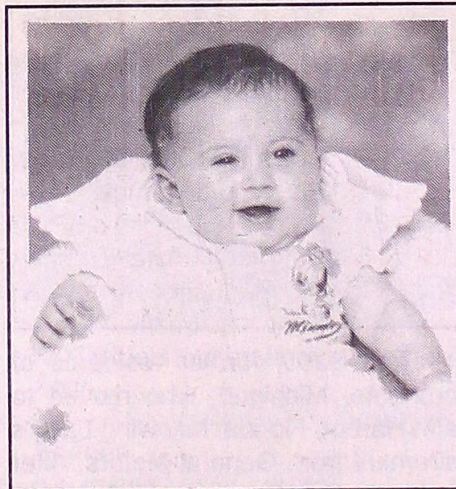
**Austin Michael Patterson**

Proudly announcing the birth of their new son, Austin Michael Patterson, are Gary Jr. and Vickey Patterson of Carleton, Michigan (formerly of Romulus).

Austin was born in Oakwood Hospital (Dearborn, MI) at 8:53 a.m. on Friday, February 27, 1998, weighing in at seven pounds, six ounces, and measuring 20 inches in length.

Among Austin's large and loving family are his paternal grandparents, Gary Sr. and Irene Patterson (Romulus,

MI); maternal grandparents, Michael C. and Beverly McPhee (Clearwater, FL; formerly of Romulus); aunts Rocky Patterson (Carleton, MI), Marie Stearns (Dearborn, MI), Barbara Clodfelter (Jackson, MO), Kathleen Williams (Sterling, VA), and Beth Riddle (Scott City, MO); and uncles Kevin McPhee (Kearneyville, WV) and Mark McPhee (Dearborn, MI). Austin is the third grandchild of Gary and Irene; the fifteenth of Michael and Beverly.

Paige Elizabeth Randall

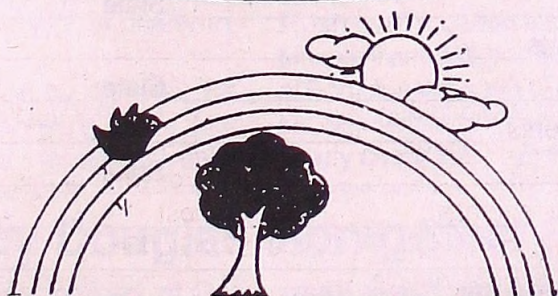
John Kelbassa and Kimberly Randall of Romulus, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their new daughter, Paige Elizabeth Randall.

Paige was born in Botsford Hospital (Farmington Hills, MI) at 6:43 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 1997, weighing in at seven pounds, two ounces, and measuring 19½ inches in length.

Also excited about the latest addition to their family are Paige's paternal grandparents, Terry and Linda Kelbassa (Romulus, MI), and her maternal grandparents, Jerry and Gale Henry (Romulus, MI). □

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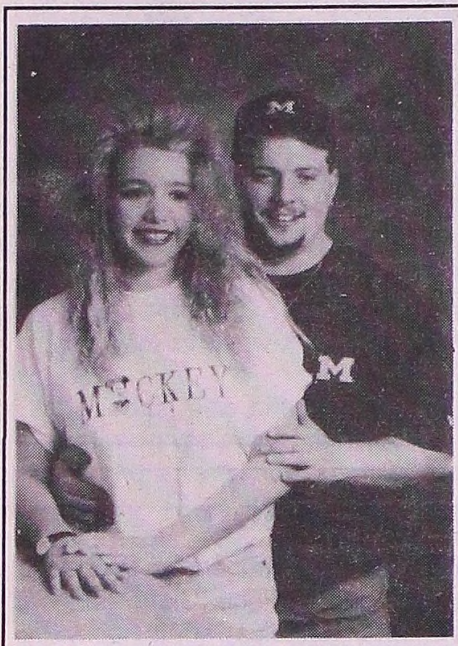
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Engagements

Kenneth Banks / Betty Harper



George and Tammy Harper of Romulus, Michigan, are proud to announce the engagement of their niece, Betty Jean Harper, to Kenneth Wesley Banks, the son of Daniel and Linda Banks of Romulus, Michigan.

The couple, who have been engaged since May 1997, plan to marry on Saturday, June 20, 1998.

Groomsmen Kevin Wright, Shaun Clifford, and Paul Banks will stand up with Kenneth.

Attending Betty will be bridesmaids Tammy Harper, Tolima Pacheco, and Danielle Banks.

A reception will be held at UAW Hall (Brownstown, MI) immediately following the ceremony.

The couple currently reside in Taylor, Michigan.

James Wadsworth / Antoinette Sabo

Planning to marry in the fall are James E. Wadsworth of Romulus, Michigan, and Antoinette V. Sabo of Allen Park, Michigan.

The couple, who have been engaged since October 1997, have set a wedding date of September 12, 1998, at St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus, MI).

Standing up with James will be groomsmen Billy and John Wadsworth. Bridesmaids Tammie Locke and Diane Dobrich will attend Antoinette.

A reception will be held at Grafton Hall (Carleton, MI) immediately following the ceremony.

James is the son of Romulus City Councilman/Wayne County Police Sergeant Bill Wadsworth and his wife, Jean Wadsworth, a nurse at Oakwood Healthcare Center-Belleville. A 1988 graduate of Romulus High School, James went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Eastern Michigan University in 1993. Currently, he works as an environmentalist for the Wayne County Health Department.

Antoinette is the daughter of Larry



and Toni Sabo, former residents of Southgate, Michigan, who moved to Palm Harbor, Florida, following Larry's retirement from General Motors. After graduating from Southgate High School in 1987, Antoinette went on to attend Dorsey Business School. She is currently employed as a secretary by the Wayne County Health Department. □

Answers

answers to puzzles from page 12

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LEAPFROG:

- 1) vassal; 2) salsa; 3) alas
- 4) pedestal; 5) stapled; 6) slated
- 7) rattlers; 8) starlet; 9) latest
- 10) Nordic; 11) Doric; 12) cord
- 13) ancestor; 14) cornets; 15) escort
- 16) glider; 17) dirge; 18) ride
- 19) earnest; 20) sterna; 21) rents
- 22) quartets; 23) stature; 24) astute

- 25) urban; 26) bran; 27) nab
 - 28) oiliness; 29) Lenossi; 30) lesson
 - 31) invades; 32) advise; 33) aside
 - 34) eolian; 35) alien; 36) nail
 - 37) exalts; 38) stale; 39) late
- "vernal equinox / spring arrives"

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YOU'LL FIND IT IN "BURGEON":

bone, bong, bore, born, bung, burg, burn, ergo, gone, gore, grub, ogre, robe, rune, rung, urge, begun, borne, rogue, brogue

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Birthplace _____
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City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Siblings _____

Maternal Grandparents _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Paternal Grandparents _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions): _____

Attach any additional information concerning the birth to this form.

ENGAGEMENT/WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

If you, or your parents, are residents of Romulus, *The Romulus News* will be happy to print an announcement of your engagement or wedding. If possible, please enclose a photograph. There is no charge. Just fill out the following information and mail to:

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Groomsmen _____
Date of Engagement _____
Date of Wedding _____
Place _____
City _____ State _____
Reception _____
City _____ State _____
Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions): _____

Attach any additional information concerning the wedding or engagement to this form.

Obituaries

Eric Hugh Buckberry

Eric Hugh Buckberry of Belleville, Michigan, died on Thursday, March 5, 1998, at the age of 32.

The native of Ypsilanti, Michigan, was born on March 13, 1965.

Eric is survived by his father, Hugh Eric Buckberry (Belleville, MI); his mother, Sharon (Fowler) Buckberry; his stepmother, Sharon Buckberry (Belleville, MI); one brother, Gregory Mark Buckberry (Ann Arbor, MI); one sister, Ms. Pamela Colleen (Buckberry) Vanduzen (Belleville, MI); two half-sisters, Ms. Bobbie Gail Delabaugh (Howell,

MI) and Mrs. Lynn (Glenna) Lee (Ypsilanti, MI); and three stepsisters, Mrs. John (Danielle) Dawson (New Boston, MI), Mrs. Kristie Rich (New Boston, MI), and Miss Andrea McNabb.

A memorial service was held on Sunday, March 15, at Community United Methodist Church (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Bradford Lewis officiating. Cremation arrangements were made by Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI). Other arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI).

Shirlee Marie (Jones) Helms

Shirlee Marie (Jones) Helms of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, March 10, 1998. She was 61 years old.

Shirlee was born in Cromwell, Oklahoma, on March 28, 1936, and married Chester Alvin Helms in June 1954.

She is survived by her husband; four sons, Dave (Romulus, MI), Wade (Romulus, MI), Kelly (Greensburg, KY), and Roger Helms (Romulus, MI); one daughter, Mrs. Mark (Debby) Bassett (Romulus, MI); one brother, Alvin Jones

(Mustang, OK); two sisters, Ms. Connie Jones (Edmond, OK) and Mrs. Allen (Loretta) Glen; and seven grandchildren. One sister predeceased her.

A funeral service was held on Friday, March 13, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Pastor Marvin Hawbaker (Calvary Baptist Church, Romulus, MI) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI). Memorial tributes may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Keith A. Hornfeld

Keith A. Hornfeld of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at the age of 42.

The former Romulus Little League coach was born in Detroit, Michigan, on August 22, 1955, and graduated from Riverside High School (Dearborn Heights, MI) in 1973. He and his wife, Wendy M. (Watson) Hornfeld, were married on April 23, 1977, in Dearborn, Michigan.

Keith is survived by his wife; his father, Arthur B. Hornfeld (Livonia, MI); his mother, Marilyn J. Hornfeld (Livonia,

MI); three daughters, Jennifer M., Amy A., and Emily J. Hornfeld (all of Romulus, MI); one brother, Kenneth A. Hornfeld (Farmington Hills, MI); and one niece, Kelly A. Hornfeld (Farmington Hills, MI).

A funeral service was held on Saturday, March 14, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Jim P. James (Dix United Methodist Church, Lincoln Park, MI) officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery (Romulus, MI). Memorial tributes may be made to any charitable organization.

Jay Douglas Montgomery

Jay Douglas Montgomery of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, February 23, 1998. He was 47 years old.

The native of Nimmons, Arkansas, was born on November 9, 1950.

Jay is survived by his mother, Freddie Mozelle Montgomery (Brooksville, FL); one daughter, Stephanie Montgomery (Colorado); three brothers, Frederick M. (Florida), Dwight H., and Wiley Dwayne Montgomery (Romulus, MI); and five sisters, Mrs. Wyvonna Bujor (Inkster, MI), Mrs. Gwendolyn Cic-

carelli (Dearborn, MI), Mrs. Paulea Montgomery (Arizona), Mrs. Mozella Markman (Romulus, MI), and Mrs. James (Perna) Brown (New Boston, MI).

A funeral service was held on Saturday, February 28, at the Church of Christ (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Phil Moore officiating. Cremation arrangements were made by Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI). Other arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI).

Donald Wojciechowski

Donald Wojciechowski of Romulus, Michigan, died on Sunday, March 15, 1998, at the age of 60.

The Lower Huron/Willow Metro-parks employee was a native of Romulus, born on December 2, 1937. He was also an active member of St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus, MI) and the Van Buren Eagles.

Surviving Donald are two sons, Donald A. Jr. (Wayne, MI) and Daniel R. Wojciechowski (Romulus, MI); two daughters, Miss Victoria Ann (Romulus, MI) and Miss Andrea Lee Wojciechowski (Wayne, MI); two brothers,

Chester (Van Buren Township, MI) and Lawrence Wojciechowski (Romulus, MI); two sisters, Mrs. Leona Evanski (Romulus, MI) and Mrs. Edward (Theresa) Sexton (Hillsdale, MI); and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Donna, two brothers, and three sisters.

A funeral service was held at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Father Richard Thomson (St. Aloysius Catholic Church) officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI). Memorial tributes may be made to any charitable organization.

Frances E. Yuhas

Frances E. Yuhas – formerly of Romulus, Michigan – died on Wednesday, March 11, 1998. She was 74 years old.

A retired retail clerk, Frances was born in Massillon, Ohio, on October 16, 1923.

She is survived by her husband, Andrew John Yuhas; her children, Bud (Judy) Laflin, Linda (Martin) Groening,

Roberta (William) Bentley, and Thomas (Holly) Yuhas; one brother, Donald (Gretchen) Laflin; 10 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held at the Wetherby Chapel (Wetherby Funeral Home, Jackson, MI), with Pastor Allen Lunneberg officiating. Interment was at Fort Custer National Cemetery (Battle Creek, MI). □

WW Says Celebrate Spring!

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Vegetarian Burgers

makes 4 servings

3 ounces lentils

1 cup shredded carrot

6 ounces firm tofu, mashed

1/2 cup tomato paste (no salt added)

1/2 cup minus 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour

1/3 cup + 2 teaspoons plain dried bread crumbs

1/4 cup minced fresh cilantro

1 egg

3 tablespoons fresh lime juice

1 tablespoon + 1 teaspoon reduced-sodium soy sauce

1 tablespoon + 1 teaspoon olive oil

1/2 small mango, pared, pitted and diced

1/2 cup diced red bell pepper

1/4 cup diced red onion

2 teaspoons honey

Place lentils into large saucepan; add water to cover. Bring liquid to boil; reduce heat to low and simmer 30–35 minutes until lentils are very tender. Drain, discard liquid; place into large bowl.

Preheat oven to 400°F. Spray nonstick baking sheet with nonstick cooking spray.

Add carrot, tofu, tomato paste, 1/4 cup of the flour, the bread crumbs, cilantro, egg, 2 tablespoons of the juice, and the soy sauce to cooked lentils; combine thoroughly and form into 4 equal patties.

Place remaining 3 tablespoons flour onto sheet of wax paper or paper plate; one at a time, place each patty into flour, turning to coat.

In large nonstick skillet, heat 2 teaspoons of the oil; spread evenly to coat bottom of skillet. Add 2 patties; cook over medium-high heat, turning once, 8 minutes, until browned and crispy. Transfer burgers to prepared baking sheet. Repeat with remaining 2 teaspoons oil and 2 patties. Bake 10 minutes, until burgers are heated through.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine mango, bell pepper, onion, honey, and remaining 1 tablespoon juice; serve burgers topped with mango mixture.

7 Points.

Per serving: 360 Calories, 11 g. Total Fat, 2 g. Saturated Fat, 53 mg. Cholesterol, 344 mg. Sodium, 50 g. Total Carbohydrates, 6 g. Dietary Fiber, 19 g. Protein, 157 mg. Calcium.

Source: Weight Watchers: New 365 Day Menu Cookbook

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